

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Michel, Donald H.

Serial No.: 09/927,829

Filed: Aug. 10, 2001

For: Apparatus and Method for  
Gravel Packing

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Examiner: Dougherty, Jennifer

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Sir:

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 15, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 15, 2003, and extended by a One-Month Petition for Extension of Time to and including February 15, 2003, or the next business day thereafter if occurring on a weekend or federal holiday, please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the One-Month Extension fees of \$110.00 and any other fees necessary to make this response timely or credit Deposit Acct. No. 12-1322/020569-06200.